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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

This is in response to the Interview Statement dated October 25, 2010.

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Initially, Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the time and courtesies extended toward Applicant's undersigned representative during the telephonic interview conducted on October 21, 2010.

During the interview, Applicant's representative discussed with the Examiner the Amendment filed on September 19, 2010. In particular, Applicant's representative submitted that U.S. Patent No. 7,159,190 (Perry) fails to disclose, either explicitly or inherently, "displaying a partial setting screen including (i) a first designation field to set a partial print attribute to be applied to a part of the print data, (ii) a second designation field to designate a page as the part of the print data to which the partial print attribute is applied, wherein an initial value of the first designation field in the partial setting screen indicates that a print attribute same as the entire print attribute of the print data is set" as featured in Claim 1.

In response, the Examiner directed Applicant's representative's attention to Fig. 6D of Perry. The Examiner stated that figure 6D discloses an exceptions attribute window 406 for setting an exception attribute for shifting an image. The Examiner pointed out that the "From:" and "To:" fields were not filled out, indicating that a range of pages had not been selected yet for application of the exception attribute. The Examiner further pointed out that the display 317 for an exception page template indicated that the current image shift attributes were set at "Independent" and "0,0:0,0". Furthermore, the Examiner pointed out the entry panels for the shift value show that a "Y" value could range from "-11, +11" and that an "X" value could range from "-8.50,+8.50" as shown in the lower center portion of the window 406. In addition, the Examiner indicated that the controls for entering the shift value show an initial value of "0". In the Examiner's view, the fact that

the shift value is shown as being set to “0,0” throughout the window while the “From:” and “To:” entry fields are blank, indicate that the displayed initial shift value for the exception pages came from the default settings for a document to which the exception pages belonged.

At the conclusion of the interview, no agreement was reached regarding the status of the claims.

Applicant’s undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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